In re the Application of: Takashi SHINZAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2135

Application No.: 09/492,696

Examiner: T. TRUONG

Filed: **January 27, 2000**

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For:

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR AUTHENTICATING USER

ACCORDING TO BIOMETRIC INFORMATION

Attorney Docket No.: 000043 Customer Number: 38834

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | NUMBER PREVIUOSLY | | PRESENT EXTRA |
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| Total (37 CFR 1.16(c)) | 23 | Minus | 20 | = 3 |
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| SMALL ENTITY | | OR | SMALL ENTITY | |
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| RATE | ADDI- TIONAL FEE | | RATE | ADDI- TIONAL FEE |
| X \$25 | 0.00 | OR | X\$50 | 150.00 |
| X \$100 | 0.00 | OR | X\$200 | 0.00 |
| + \$180 | | OR | + \$360 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL ADD'L FEE | | А | TOTAL DD'L FEE | 150.00 |

Enclosed please find our check in the amount of \$150.00 for the additional claims fee in connection with this Amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is in response to the Office Action of July 13, 2004.

Amendments to the Abstract being on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.

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